UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION

NETLIST, INC.,	
Plaintiff,))
vs.)) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO, LTD; SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS AMERICA,	
INC.; SAMSUNG SEMICONDUCTOR)
INC.,	
Defendants.	

PLAINTIFF NETLIST INC.'S OPPOSED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF ITS OPPOSITION TO SAMSUNG'S
MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT OF NO WILLFULNESS [DKT. 451]

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"Courts have consistently allowed parties to refile or amend motions and supporting

documents as a valid exercise of their discretion in case management." United States v. Filson, 347

F. App'x 987, 991 (5th Cir. 2009) (per curiam) (collecting cases). "The use of judicial discretion

seems especially appropriate if the adverse parties will not be prejudiced by the amendment to

the motion, or if the amendment is necessary to [e]nsure that the case is adjudicated fairly and

justly" Ortiz v. Minnesota Life Ins. Co., No. 420CV00923SDJCAN, 2023 WL 3993047, at *1

(E.D. Tex. June 9, 2023). "Discretion in this context is similar to the Court's decision whether to

grant leave to amend pleadings under Rule 15." Id.

The Court should grant Netlist leave to file its short supplemental brief in opposition to

Samsung's Motion For Summary Judgement Of No Willfulness (Dkt. 341) in light of the

unanimous jury verdict in the Central District of California finding that Samsung's breach of the

JDLA was material. The jury returned its verdict on May 17, 2024, well after the February 15

cutoff for Netlist's final sur-reply briefing under the operative DCO and Local Rule CV-7(f).

Netlist was thus unable to include this critical development in its briefing, and supplemental

briefing is required for fair adjudication of the case. See Ortiz v. Minnesota Life Ins. Co., No.

420CV00923SDJCAN, 2023 WL 3993047, at *4 (E.D. Tex. June 9, 2023) (granting leave to

supplement summary judgment briefing in light of subsequent development in different case

despite a gap in time before leave was sought). There is no prejudice to Samsung because they

will have an opportunity to respond to Netlist's short supplemental brief and argue their position

at the pretrial conference. Moreover, there is no element of surprise as the short brief is grounded

in factual developments Samsung is already well aware of.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on August 20, 2024, a copy of the foregoing was served to all counsel of record.

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I hereby certify that, on August 20, 2024, Netlist's counsel twice informed Samsung's counsel of Netlist's intent to file this motion but received no reply. Netlist has therefore filed this motion as opposed.

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